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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****In re Application of:****Heinz PAULY et al.****Application No.: 09/937,707****Filed: October 1, 2001****For: METHOD FOR DATA  
MAINTENANCE IN A NETWORK OF  
PARTIALLY REPLICATED  
DATABASE SYSTEMS**

Group Art Unit: 2162

Examiner: Jean M. Corielus

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**Commissioner for Patents  
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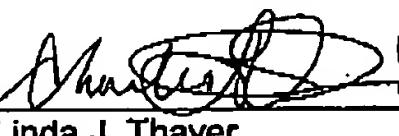
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